

TOPIC Military Information from Neustrelitz

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25X1 EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT prior to 24 July 1952

25X1 DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 20 August 1952

25X1 REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. &amp; TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. Prior to 24 July, the Neue Infanterie Kaserne in Neustrelitz (N 51/U 51) was occupied by about 2,500 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. About 350 soldiers departed in the direction of Berlin on 23 July. (1) Two T-34 tanks [REDACTED] were seen leaving the installation in the direction of Kratzeburg. On 24 July, T-34 tanks [REDACTED] proceeded to the area of Steinwalde for a firing practice.

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Motor vehicles [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] were seen entering and leaving the installation.

2. The Glambecker See restricted area was still occupied by about 200 soldiers as previously. [REDACTED] a division headquarters was located there. (2) The restricted area on Fritz Reuter Strasse was occupied by about 200 soldiers on 23 July. They wore red-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia. On 23 July, the Alte Grenadier Kaserne was occupied by between 400 and 500 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Twelve 120-mm mortars were seen. The restricted area on Gerhart Hauptmann Strasse was occupied by 200 soldiers on 23 July. They wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Eight 122-mm field howitzers were seen. [REDACTED] troops were engaged in an exercise wearing gas masks in an area where a smoke screen was laid. Motor vehicles seen at the installation [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] On 23 July, buildings in the Tiergarten restricted area were again occupied by about 50 soldiers wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets. [REDACTED] (3) A train carrying 40 to 50 old trucks stood at the Neustrelitz railroad station on 24 July. (4)

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Comments.

(1) The soldiers could have been discharged or going on furlough or going to an instruction course.

(2) This information confirms the division headquarters located in the Glambecker See restricted area until 24 July.

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(3) [REDACTED] in late May the Tiergarten restricted area was vacant and, on 28 June, the [REDACTED] buildings in the restricted area were occupied by civilians. [REDACTED] The alleged reoccupation by Soviets requires confirmation.

(4) The information indicates no changes in the occupation of the installations in Neustrelitz since a previous report [REDACTED] on 15 July. The Infanterie Kaserne 25X1 seems to quarter a smaller number of troops, possibly as a result of the temporary transfer to the Landesirronananstalt on the Domjich Lake of units previously stationed in Neustrelitz.

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